

Balance of State Continuum of Care (CoC)

Notice of Funding Availability for the 2016 Continuum of Care Program Competition

HUD has announced the 2016 Continuum of Care (CoC) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Continuum of Care Program Competition. This guidance applies to all renewing Continuum of Care grants for permanent housing, transitional housing, supportive services only, and HMIS as well as new applications for permanent supportive housing bonus projects. This announcement is being made in accordance with HUD's NOFA for the HUD Continuum of Care programs.

The US Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) conducts an annual CoC Program national competition. The Louisiana Housing Corporation is the collaborative applicant responsible for completing and submitting an annual application for CoC funding on behalf of the LA BoS CoC.

The CoC Consolidated Application is due to HUD on September 14, 2016 and includes all new and renewal project applications. HUD requires that project applications are submitted to the CoC no later than 30 days before the application deadline of September 14, 2016.

**The Deadline for Submission of Applications is
August 13, 2016**

All applications must be submitted through HUD's e-snaps electronic application system in order to be considered in the 2016 LA BoS CoC Consolidated Application for funding.

LA BoS CoC Program funds are currently used to support various projects, including Permanent Supportive Housing and HMIS.

Additional information on the Continuum of Care Program can be found on the HUD Exchange by going to:

<https://www.hudexchange.info/e-snaps/fy-2016-coc-program-nofa-coc-program-competition/>

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Eligible project applicants for the CoC Program Competition are nonprofit organizations, States, local governments, and instrumentalities of State and local governments, and public housing agencies, as such term is defined in 24 CFR 5.100, without limitation or exclusion. For-profit entities are not eligible to apply for grants or to be subrecipients of grant funds. **24 CFR 578.15**

RENEWAL PROJECTS

Awards made under the CoC Program, Supportive Housing Program (SHP), and Shelter Plus Care (S+C) are eligible for renewal for FY 2016 funds if they have an executed grant agreement by December 31, 2016 and have an expiration date that occurs in Calendar Year (CY) 2017 (the period between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017). These projects are renewable under the CoC Program Competition as set forth in 24 CFR 578.33 to continue ongoing leasing, operating, supportive services, rental assistance, HMIS, and project administration costs. Grant agreements for FY 2015 funds must be executed by December 31, 2016 in order to be eligible for renewal. If a project application is submitted for FY 2016 funds where the grant agreement for FY 2015 funds is not executed by December 31, 2016, HUD will withdraw any funds conditionally awarded for FY 2016.

All applicants for renewing projects must complete the HUD application in *e-snaps* by **August 13, 2016**.

NEW PROJECTS

Applications for new projects will be accepted for review only if funds are available either through bonus projects or reallocation.

In the event that funds are available, applications for new projects will be considered only from entities that have submitted an application by the deadline and are proposing, in alignment with HUD priorities:

- A. Permanent Supportive Housing (PSH) dedicated to serving chronically homeless individuals, including unaccompanied youth, and/or families; or
- B. Rapid Re-housing (RRH) dedicated to serving homeless individuals, including unaccompanied youth, and/or families coming directly from the streets or emergency shelter

****All projects will be reviewed and ranked by the BoS CoC- Standards Rating and Project Selection Committee.**

ELIGIBLE COST

Provisions at 24 CFR 578.37 through 578.63 identify the eligible costs for which funding may be requested under the CoC Program.

MAXIMUM AMOUNT OF FUNDING AVAILABLE

Funding availability for renewal projects will be dependent upon the amount made available by the HUD allocation method. Funding for new projects will be dependent upon information contained in the HUD NOFA, including the opportunity to apply for bonus projects, and any reallocated funds made available through the local project review process. Administrative funds will be limited to no more than seven percent (7%) of the total project budget.

MATCH REQUIREMENT

The subrecipient must match all grant funds, except for leasing funds, with no less than 25% of funds or in-kind contributions from other sources in accordance with 24 CFR 578.73. Subrecipients will not be required to meet this match per category, but rather as an aggregate sum.

APPEALS

Refer to the HUD NOFA FR-6000-N-25 for guidance on the appeals process.

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